

special devotional service was engaged in, looking to the direction and guidance of the Great Head of the Church. During the Session one of the number was taken sick and within a week passed away from Earth and its trials and duties,—another warning to be ready, another call to humiliation and to prayerful efforts for the extension of our Church. “Pray ye therefore the Lord of the Harvest that He will send labourers into the Vineyard.” The position of our Church is in many respects peculiar: our trials have been not a few; the openings for usefulness are increasing; the calls for pastors are numerous; it behoves then those who love our Zion to be earnest in prayer, that faithful men may be raised up to break the bread of life to the many vacant congregations in the land, and to supply the places of those Ministers whom from time to time God calls from the scene of their labours. May it be put into the hearts of many of our young men to say in view of the clamant calls for more pastors, “Here am I, Lord, send me.”

THE DEPUTATIONS TO THE SYNODS IN THE LOWER PROVINCES.

We have pleasure in intimating that the Rev. Dr. Mathieson and the Rev. A. McKid, the Moderator of the Synod, have proceeded to Halifax as delegates from the Synod of Canada to the Synod of the Church of Scotland in Nova Scotia, now in session. We also learn that the Revs. Dr. McGill and Professor Weir, the delegates to the Synod of New Brunswick, purpose proceeding to St. Johns, New Brunswick, to attend the session of the Synod there, which will commence on the 16th of August next, and design, if possible, arriving there a few days before the opening of the court. We shall await with interest the issue of these Missions and trust that greater sympathy and closer union, contributing to the spread of true religion, may be the result.

CHURCH IN CANADA.

CONGREGATION OF N. & S. GEORGETOWN.

The Treasurer of the Montreal Auxiliary Bible Society begs leave to acknowledge receipt of the sum of six pounds currency from the Presbyterian congregation in North and South Georgetown, in connexion with the Church of Scotland, by the hands of the Rev. James C. Muir, being a collection for the “China Million Testament Fund,” of the British and Foreign Bible Society, to be remitted to that Institution.

PRESBYTERY OF MONTREAL.

ORDINATION AT THREE RIVERS.

We learn that the ordination of the Rev. G. D. Ferguson and his induction to the pastoral charge of the Congre-

gation in Three Rivers, then vacant in consequence of the translation of the Reverend Mr. Thom to Woolwich, took place on Wednesday evening, the 16th of May. The Rev. Dr. McGill, of Montreal, officiated, assisted by the Rev. Mr. Haig, of Beauharnois, and the Rev. Mr. Anderson, of Point Levi. Dr. McGill delivered a very impressive discourse from 1st Corinthians, 3rd Chapter, 11th-15th verses; pointing out the qualifications to the Ministry, some of the difficulties with which a Minister may have to contend, the responsibility of his position, and concluded by remarking upon the encouragement to his work. The vows were then administered, and the ordination prayer was very solemnly offered up during the imposition of hands. Dr. McGill then respectively addressed the Pastor and Congregation upon their several duties, and at the close Mr. Ferguson was cordially welcomed by the members of the Church. We trust that the pastoral relation thus established may prove a happy one, and that the minister of Three Rivers may be long spared to go in and out among his people, rightly dividing the Word of Truth, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed. We learn that the people are making most commendable exertions towards the erection of a new church.

PATRIOTIC FUND.

As contributions to this Fund have only been made by thirty-five Congregations, it has been deemed advisable to allow a delay of one additional month to elapse previous to remitting the amount to Britain. It is hoped that in the interval such Congregations as may not have aided in this excellent scheme for ministering to the wants of the Widows and Orphans of the gallant Soldiers and Sailors of the Empire will hasten to avail themselves of the opportunity thus presented to them.

The List will be finally closed on 10th August.

PATRIOTIC FUND.

St. Louis, Rev. Mr. Paul	£2 0 0
Newmarket and Holland Landing, Rev. Mr. Brown,	6 0 0
New Richmond, Rev. Mr. Davidson, ..	0 14 5

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PRESBYTERY OF BATHURST.

This Presbytery met at Buckingham, on the 7th June, to proceed with the induction of the Rev. Peter Lindsay, of Richmond, to the charge of the United Congregations of Buckingham and Cumberland and also for other necessary business.

The deliverance of a former meeting of Presbytery anent the case of the Rev. John Whyte, Minister at Brockville, having been affirmed by the Synod, and the pastoral connection between that gentleman and the congregation at Brockville being now dissolved, the Presbytery appointed the Reverend Duncan Morrison to

preach at Brockville on Sabbath, 10th June, and to declare the church vacant. The Presbytery likewise appointed the Reverend Solomon Mylne to preach at Brockville on the second Sabbath of July; the Rev. William Bain on the second Sabbath of August, and the Rev. David Evans on the second Sabbath of September.

The Presbytery appointed the Rev. Mr. Sinclair to act as a Missionary at Huntly, with the understanding that he would preach at Richmond for a month till next ordinary meeting of Presbytery.

There was laid before the Presbytery a memorial from certain persons, residing in the Township of Oxford and South Gower, praying that Divine ordinances should be dispensed among them. It was agreed to lay the document on the table till next ordinary meeting, and in the mean-time the Rev. Mr. Anderson, of South Gower, was appointed to visit the locality, to preach occasionally there, and to obtain all the information in his power respecting certain Church property said to exist, and also to ascertain the state of the feelings of the people generally in regard to our Church, and to report to next ordinary meeting of Presbytery.

There was likewise laid before the Presbytery, a memorial from certain adherents of the Church in the Township of Ross and neighbourhood, praying to be formed into a congregation, and to be received into the bounds of this Presbytery. The Rev. Mr. Thomson, of Renfrew, was instructed to watch over the spiritual interests of the memorialists, in the mean-time, and the further consideration of this matter was delayed till next ordinary meeting.

The Presbytery sanctioned the employment of Mr. George Porteous, a student at Queen's College, as Catechist during the summer months in Ross and Colden.

The Presbytery then proceeded with the induction of Mr. Lindsay. The Rev. John Lindsay, of Litchfield, preached from Matthew xi. 28-30, “Come unto Me all ye that labour, and are heavy-laden, and I will give you rest, &c.” Mr. Lindsay was then inducted by Mr. Spence, of Ottawa, who presided as Moderator *pro tempore*, and afterwards the minister and people were respectively addressed by the Rev. Mr. Thomson, of Renfrew, and the Rev. Mr. Mann, of Pakenham. The sermon was excellent and the addresses were eminently practical and impressive.

The Presbytery then adjourned to meet at Ottawa on the second Wednesday of September next.

PRESBYTERY OF TORONTO.—We learn that at a Meeting of the Presbytery of Toronto, held on Tuesday the 15th of last May, the following resolution was unanimously adopted;—

“The Senatus Academicus of the University of Glasgow having conferred the degree of Doctor in